

Minutes
Delaware Council of Faith-Based Partnerships Meeting
Tuesday, February 3, 2015
1-3 pm
Smyrna Rest Area Conference Room
5500 N. DuPont Highway
Smyrna DE 19977

Attendees: Jen Hill, Doug Gerdts, Michael Beals, Usman Sandhu, Max Wolf, Flora McConkie, Jeanne Cashman, Raina Harper Allen.

Meeting called to order by Doug at approx. 1:15 pm.

Minutes of January meeting approved.

Doug reported on his phone conversation with the Governor. Doug shared the idea of “telling the Council’s story” as a response to recent terrorist incidents. Governor was receptive to the idea. Jen followed through with Kelly Bachman, Governor’s Press Secretary. Updated Overview of Council provided to Governor’s office. Council awaits response from Governor’s office, and may consider inviting media to “Lunch and Learn” events.

Need for additional Council members. Representatives from Hindu, Sikh, Hispanic, Methodist, etc. faith communities should be approached.

“Lunch and Learn” series update. All Council members to assist in publicizing. Draft of March invitation reviewed. Raina and Doug to handle lunches for March. Gary Hecker of Delaware State Housing Authority confirmed for March. Printed invitation, suitable for mailing, requested for future “Lunch and Learn” events.

Review of Meeting Schedule for 2015. Revised schedule follows minutes.

Next meeting. Tuesday, March 3, 2015.

Meeting adjourned at approx. 2:25pm.

Submitted by Flora McConkie, DCFBP Secretary, March 2, 2015.

**Delaware Council of Faith-Based Partnerships
2015 Schedule of Meetings**

Please note various meeting times. "Lunch and Learn" sessions are generally (but not always) scheduled for 12-1 pm, followed by Council meetings. Regular Council meetings (with no "Lunch and Learn") are 1-3 pm. Meetings are generally held on first Tuesday of each month. (No August meeting. September's meeting is on second Tuesday of month for 2015.). Locations vary.

Tuesday, March 3, 2015

"Lunch and Learn" with Gary Hecker, Delaware State Housing Authority, Carvel Building, Wilmington, 12-1 pm; Council meeting, 1-2:30 pm.

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

"Lunch and Learn" with Jay Lynch, DHSS, I-ADAPT, Smyrna Rest Area, 12-1 pm; Council meeting 1-2:30 pm.

Tuesday, May 5, 2015

"Lunch and Learn" with Matt Denn, Attorney General, Incarceration, Re-Entry and Recidivism; Smyrna Rest Area; 1-2 pm; Council meeting 2-3:30 pm.

Tuesday, June 2, 2015

Tour of Sussex Community Correctional Center in Georgetown (Tentative) and Council meeting, 1-3 pm.

Tuesday, July 7, 2015

Council meeting, Rehoboth Beach (All Saints' Episcopal Church), 1-3 pm.

No meeting in August.

Tuesday, September 8, 2015

Council meeting, Wilmington (Congregation Beth Shalom), 1-3 pm.

Tuesday, October 6, 2015

"Lunch and Learn," followed by Council meeting, topic and location TBA, 12-2:30 pm.

Tuesday, November 3, 2015

"Lunch and Learn," followed by Council meeting, topic and location TBA, 12-2:30 pm.

Tuesday, December 1, 2015

Council meeting, location TBA, 1-3 pm.